

Roy Hobbs-Themed Quilt An Eye-Catcher



Meg Giffen with Team America's hand crafted Roy Hobbs quilt.

BY GLENN MILLER Roy Hobbs Baseball

In the baseball-centric universe of the Roy Hobbs World Series if one hears the word quilt the immediate association might be with one-time Twins infielder and manager Frank Quilici.

That would be wrong.

Team America 75s sports a handmade quilt, one lovingly and artfully crafted by the sister of manager Paul Netzel. The quilt is comprised of 10 years of Roy Hobbs World Series T-shirts assembled by Netzel's quilting younger sister Lora Boudreau of Kankakee, Ill.

Team America's John Zigmond was profoundly impressed by the quilt.

"It's a work of art," Zigmond said Monday at CenturyLink before a game. "It has a lot of history connected to it."

One of the panels in the quilt was left blank so team members could sign it.

"I love the fact that she left a panel for autographs, for signatures," Zigmond said. "That just personalizes it. I wish I had one of those for any aspect of whatever my career was."

The edges of the quilt have images of baseballs and gloves and bats woven into the fabric.

"She's an artist," Zigmond said.

Boudreau is back in Kankakee, where she and her late husband, John, once owned a quilting shop called Quilt Under the Oaks.

"This is my first baseball-themed quilt," Boudreau said.

She estimated it took about 36 hours to create the quilt in the summer of 2019. The idea came from Netzel.

"I was cleaning out my closets and there were all these T-shirts that I hadn't worn in years," Netzel said. "What do you do with them? Do you give them to Goodwill? Or what do you do with them?" So, he turned to his sister the guilter.

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He asked Lora if she would make a quilt from the T-shirts.

"I said no," Boudreau said with a laugh.

That initial no turned, of course, into a yes.

Netzel estimates that if a quilt of this quality went on the market it could go for about \$995.

Before Monday's game at Centurylink complex Netzel draped the quilt over a low fence and then over the back of the third base dugout at Field No. 6.

When it was draped over the lower fence, Team America's John Yencho walked by and was astounded at the sight.

"Oh, wow!" Yencho blurted out.

Wow, indeed.

Wow is the consensus on Team America. Count Team America's Sam Panayotovich as a player gobsmacked by the quilt's artistry.

"It's an amazing piece of work," Panayotopvich said.

One not to be confused with Frank Quilici.

It's Wednesday Time to set up Thursday's games Wednesday is the day that 65s-75s

WORLD SERIES 31

Wednesday is the day that 65s-75s opening schedules are completed and Roy Hobbs retools for Thursday games. The plan includes ...

- 1. Matchups for all teams to play Thursday, even though we have odd numbers in all the divisions.
- The Thursday schedule will be post on royhobbs.com/world-series schedules page no later than 7:30 p.m.
- The teams designated early as AAAA competitors will be mixed with the rest of the field in the matchups, which will be done along the lines of the rules in the Roy Hobbs program.
- 4. Since there are odd numbers of teams in each division, we may experiment with the top-level 75s team playing a 1-3 65s team in order to make sure all teams get a game. The top level 75s team is already guaranteed to play in the top division of 75s, and the 1-3 team is guaranteed



photo by Greg Wagner

South Dakota Rushmores 1st baseman Bob Bartlett makes play against Maine Woods 75s

a playoff berth. That game would be played with 75s rules.

- 5. Roy Hobbs will announce the playoff brackets and matchups to start on Friday on Thursday night at the weekly Players' Pairings Party at Sidelines Sports Grill at the corner of Colonial Blvd. and Veronica Shoemaker Parkway.
- 6. All playoffs will be single-elimination.









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STANDINGS

Vintage 65+

Team	w	L	РСТ	RA
Sacramento Tribe	4	0	1.000	7
Minnesota Bees	4	0	1.000	8
South Jerseay Indians	3	0	1.000	9
Maine Woods Baseball	3	0	1.000	17
Baltimore Baseball Club	3	0	1.000	21
TSP Fire	3	0	1.000	24
Potomac Senators	2	1	0.667	17
Washington Titans	2	1	0.667	17
Kenmore Eastern Brewers	2	1	0.667	20
Austin Express	2	1	0.667	21
Minnesota Goats	2	1	0.667	21
DHBA Athletics	2	1	0.667	22
Cincinnati Colt .45s	2 2	1	0.667	23
Vintages Baseball Club	2	1	0.667	27
Midwest 9	2	1	0.667	28
USA Volkers Group	2	1	0.667	28
Toledo McGuire Insurance	2	1	0.667	30
Kent Mudhens	2	2	0.500	34
Raynham Baseball Club	1	2	0.333	18
Livingston Dodgers	1	2	0.333	30
North Coast Nationals	1	2	0.333	33
Lehigh Baseball	1	2	0.333	36
MBI Baseball	1	2	0.333	37
St Louis Braves	1	2	0.333	37
Wilmington Thunder	1	2	0.333	39
Naturals	1	2	0.333	42
Philadelphia Brewers	1	2	0.333	43
Rhode Island Rockies	1	3	0.250	46
Asheville Sox	1	3	0.250	53
Tallahassee Classics	1	3	0.250	61
Long Island Yankees	0	3	0.000	34
Nova Scotia Monarchs	0	3	0.000	45
Silver Foxes	0	3	0.000	52
Philadelphia A's	0	3	0.000	53
San Antonio Texans	0	4	0.000	58



Maine Woods 75s catcher Terry Gammill warming up his pitcher vs. the South Dakota Rushmores

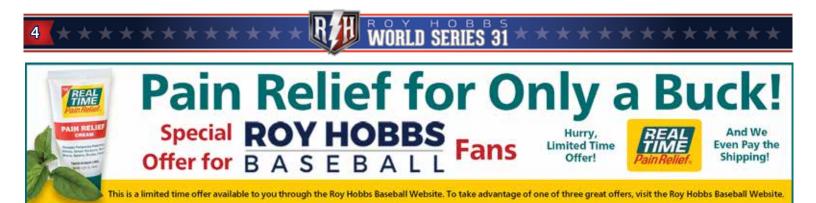
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Team	w	L	РСТ	RA
San Diego Padres	4	0	1.000	13
Avengers	3	0	1.000	16
South Dakota Rushmores	3	1	0.750	17
National Spirit	2	1	0.667	15
Tri-Cities	2	1	0.667	22
Team America	2	2	0.500	29
New England Red Sox	1	2	0.333	22
New Jersey Cardinals	1	2	0.333	24
Kent Mudhens	1	3	0.250	34
Toledo McGuire Insurance	0	3	0.000	46
Maine Woods Baseball	0	4	0.000	62



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RESULTS

Tuesday

Vintage 65+

Austin Express - 20, Midwest 9 - 9 Baltimore Baseball Club - 10, Livingston Dodgers - 9 Kenmore Eastern Brewers - 14, Silver Foxes- 4 Maine Woods Baseball - 12, Cincinnati Colt .45s - 11 Minnesota Bees - 14, Long Island Yankees - 1 Minnesota Goats - 19, Nova Scotia Monarchs - 2 Naturals - 16, North Coast Nationals - 5 Potomac Senators - 12, Kent Mudhens - 1 Raynham Baseball Club - 17, Philadelphia A's - 3 Sacramento Tribe - 22, Rhode Island Rockies - 2 South Jersey Indians - 10, DHBA Athletics - 7 St. Louis Braves - 14, Wilmington Thunder - 5 Tallahassee Classics - 14, Philadelphia Brewers - 11 Toledo McGuire Insurance - 12, San Antonio Texans - 6 TSP Fire - 17, Kent Mudhens - 7 USA Volkers Group - 20, Lehigh Baseball - 8 Vintages Baseball Club - 16, MBI Baseball - 2 Washington Titans - 19, Asheville Sox - 0

Forever Young 75+,

Avengers - 10, National Spirit - 6 New Jersey Cardinals - 14, Toledo McGuire Insurance - 6 San Diego Padres - 13, Kent Mudhens - 3 San Diego Padres - 5, Team America - 4 South Dakota Rushmores - 12, Maine Woods Baseball - 5 Tri-Cities - 6, New England Red Sox - 1



photo by Greg Wagner Potomac Senators 1st baseman takes the throw vs. Kent Mud Hens 65's



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SCHEDULE

Wednesday

Vintage 65+

9:30 AM DHBA Athletics @ Minnesota Goats, CP-S 10:00 AM Potomac Senators @ TSP Fire, CL-S Livingston Dodgers @ Kenmore Eastern Brewers, JB-S Vintages Baseball Club @ Washington Titans, TP2 MBI Baseball @ Long Island Yankees, TP3 Cincinnati Colt .45s @ Lehigh Baseball, TP4 12:45 PM

Silver Foxes @ Naturals, CP-S

1:45 PM

Baltimore Baseball Club @ North Coast Nationals, CL-S Nova Scotia Monarchs @ South Jersey Indians, JB-S Austin Express @ Philadelphia A's, PDC4 Philadelphia Brewers @ Toledo McGuire Insurance, PDC5 USA Volkers Group @ St. Louis Braves, TP-S Midwest 9 @ Raynham Baseball Club, TP2 Wilmington Thunder @ Maine Woods Baseball, TP3

Forever Young 75+ 10:00 AM

Kent Mudhens @ New England Red Sox, PDC1 Team America @ National Spirit, PDC2 New Jersey Cardinals @ Avengers, PDC3 Tri-Cities @ South Dakota Rushmores, PDC4 Toledo McGuire Insurance @ San Diego Padres, PDC5 **1:45 PM**

Avengers @ Maine Woods Baseball, PDC3



Maine Woods 75s starting pitcher Bob Murphy delivers vs. South Dakota Rushmores





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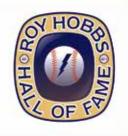






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Beautiful Tuesday afternoon for baseball at CenturyLink Stadium





This is a limited time offer available to you through the Roy Hobbs Baseball Website. To take advantage of one of three great offers, visit the Roy Hobbs Baseball Website.

Results corrections

Please check the posted results and standings each day. Managers should contact Rob at the Tournament Headquarters (rg@royhobbs.com) with corrections to scores.

That's the best way to make sure that playoff seedings and pairings are as accurate as we can make them.



Picking up T-Shirts ...

The tournament T-shirt is available **through Friday only** for all registered players outside the Roy Hobbs Store in the screened in patio at the Player Development Complex. **No Shirts will be given out on Thursday or Saturday.**

Hours to pick up the Tournament T-shirt are from Noon to 6 p.m. With the shirt, each player will also get a tournament patch.

Players will need their RHWS ID card to get their shirts in person, no exceptions. No driver's licenses needed.

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50/50 raffle

50/50 raffle tickets, to benefit the Roy Hobbs Foundation, are available each day at the Player Development Complex. Tickets are \$1 a piece or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held in the patio area at the Player Development Complex around 5 PM Friday.

The Roy Hobbs Foundation was established to raise monies see NOTEBOOK on page 7

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for research on finding a cure for Leukemia and to assist our Challenged Athlete friends.

Revenues from the 2018 RHWS 50/50 led to nearly \$5,000 in contributions to MD Anderson Cancer Center, St. Jude Hospital in Memphis and to Southern Florida Challenger Athletes.

Please help with dugouts

Roy Hobbs Baseball and the grounds crews need your help in the dugouts.

When your games are over and you are leaving the dugout, please police it for trash and cups, etc. Your assistance in cleaning up the dugouts each day will be greatly appreciated.

Highlights and Statistics

We do all of our highlight submissions online now. The link to submit game highlights to e printed in the Inside pitches and on our website can be found on the Schedules page of the World Series website. The managers should have also received a link via email on the first day.

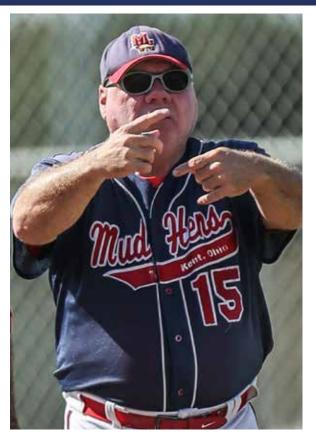
As for the end of tournament stats, every manager will be sent an Excel file and a PDF of the stats that we will be collecting after the whole tournament is done. It is not see NOTEBOOK on page 8

To view your Roy Hobbs photos go to: WWW.Wagnerphotography.com



Visit the RHWS Pro Shop to see this print. Or visit Wagner's photo art website: www.wagnerphotography.me

Is you team playing next week? Call Greg at 239-898-8677 to get signed up for a photo plan.



"We need a runner!". Kent Mud Hens 65s Bob Lay tells his bench





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Maine Woods 65's 1st baseman Bill Arsenault makes the play on a Cincinnati Colt 45s sacrifice bunt

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required. Teams may submit as much or as little as they want. Around the first part of January I will begin to combine all the stats I have and begin to sort out the Top Performances of the tournament. If you want to be in the running for a top performer spot, make sure your manager keeps good stats.

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First Aid

Two key First Aid items: Drink plenty of fluids while playing and before you get to the field; don't just wait until the game is over. Water will be available at the fields.

Second, be sure to stretch and loosen up before playing, or even re-entering a game.

In case of an emergency, contact the field manager at your site, or the concessions person if closer. We do have the First Aid supplies and will contact 911 services as needed.

Ice is available for injuries ... check with the field manager on duty or go to the nearest concession stand to have the appropriate personnel paged. Roy Hobbs requests that managers plan for pitchers needing ice for their arms and to supply it.

Playing site security

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The active steps taken several years ago to deal with parking lot security will continue as parking lot theft issues have – knock on wood – not been an issue the last 7 years.

Are we out of the woods? No, it is a daily procedure and effort to make sure parking lots are safe.

Once again, Roy Hobbs will have personnel posted at the player/spectators' entrances to Terry Park, PDC, JetBlue Complex and at the entrance to the Quad fields at Lee County.

These individuals will have a view of the parking lot, and they will be available in emergencies, be enforcing cooler guidelines and handling admissions.

HIGHLIGHTS



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Kent Mudhens 75s 17, Maine Woods Baseball 2:

(Mudhens) Pitching: Don Booth 5 IP, 0 ER, 6 K's: Hitting: Newt Reash 2/4, BB, 2 RBI; Jim Nickelsen 2/5, 3 runs, RBI; Phil Ketterling 2/5, run.

Team America 5, Kent Mudhens 75s 3: (Mudhens) Pitching: Don Leas CG 7 IP, 2 ER, 2 K: Hitting: Joe Wasko 2/2, RBI; Paul Perantinides 2/3, BB; Ross Rupp 1/1, 2-BB.

MBI Baseball 7, Asheville Sox 6: (Sox) Pitching: Steve Pope pitched 8 complete innings, giving up 2 runs. Hitting: Tony Whitehurst: 2 for 4, 3 RBIs. Al Edmiston: 2 for 4. Carlton Blackburn: 2 for 3. JD Hinson: 1 for 3.

Asheville Sox 6, Long Island Yankees 5: (Sox) Pitching: Gary Graham threw a complete game for the win. Hitting: Dick Fusco: 3 for 4, 4 RBIs, Al Edmiston: 2 for 4. Gary Graham: 1 for 4, 2 RBIs., Bruce Jensen: 1 for 2. Gary McDonald: 1 for 3

South Dakota Rushmores 12, Maiine Woods Baseball 5: (Rushmores) Pitching: Mike Spratt pitched a complete game, allowing 9 hits, striking out 1 and walking 1.

Potomac Senators Eric Collier watching the action vs. the Kent Mud Hens 65s